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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Patel, et al.
Appl. No.	:	10/007,003
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For	:	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTED FILE SYSTEM UTILIZING METADATA TO TRACK INFORMATION ABOUT DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are responsive to the objection and rejections set forth in the Office Action mailed August 17, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 9 of this paper.

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